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December 13, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 AND 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000781 - Los Angeles River "Ernie Walk," City of Sherman Oaks (3), Developer's Surety and Indemnity Company, with changes in the amount of \$963.47, and a final contract amount of \$570,812.12 (Final Acceptance).

Project ID No. FCC0000905 - Verdugo Wash Channel Repair, Stations 120+09 to 121+09, City of Glendale (5), PPC Construction, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$1,683.78, and a final contract amount of \$169,566.42.

Project ID No. WWD4004017 - Equipping of Well Nos. 4-61, 4-63, and 4-64, City of Lancaster (5), Bakersfield Well and Pump Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$6,444.80, and a final contract amount of \$613,550.20.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000781, FCC0000905, and WWD4004017.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$6,444.80 to an increase in the amount of \$1,683.78, while the total values of the contracts range from \$169,566.42 to \$613,550.20.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (FINAL)

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000781, LOS ANGELES RIVER "ERNIE'S WALK" (in the vicinity of Sherman Oaks), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Developer's Surety and Indemnity Company, 17780 Fitch, Irvine, California 92614

Project Description:

Construction of concrete walls, stairway, and colored stamped concrete pavement; installation of a drip irrigation system; removal and planting of trees; and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Electrical Conduit	\$544.78
(2) Construct Additional Concrete Steps	<u>418.69</u>
Total	\$963.47

Description of Changes:

(1) It was necessary to change the type of conduit for the new electrical service in order to meet the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power requirements.

(2) Your Board previously approved a change in work to construct additional concrete steps at the stairway near Cedros Avenue. The actual cost for this work exceeded the estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Items 1 and 2 were based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on August 1, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. On October 11, 2005, your Board approved the partial acceptance of the work of the contract pending a review of the final pay quantities by the contractor.

The contractor has submitted a request for additional compensation for the subject items in which we agree. Therefore, we recommend that your Board accept the work of this contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$545,392.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	24,456.65
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>963.47</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$570,812.12</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000905, VERDUGO WASH CHANNEL REPAIR,
STATIONS 120+09 TO 121+09 (City of Glendale), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: PPC Construction, Inc., 336 North Central Avenue, Suite 10A, Glendale, California 91203.

Project Description:

Removal and replacement of 100 lineal feet of an existing reinforced concrete channel.

Changes in Work:

(1) Install Filler Strips and Sealant	\$ 734.15
(2) Dewater Channel Invert Subgrade	<u>949.63</u>
Total	<u>\$1,683.78</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) In order to match the existing channel invert construction joints, it was necessary to install premolded, asphaltic filler strips and polyurethane sealant.

(2) Due to high groundwater, it was necessary to dewater the channel invert subgrade in order to place the geotextile fabric and subdrainage pipe.

The costs for Items 1 and 2 were based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications

Five additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on August 15, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$158,557.50
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	17,770.14
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	1,683.78
Deduction for Inspection Overtime	(945.00)
Deduction for Liquidated Damages	<u>(7,500.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$169,566.42</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. WWD4004017, EQUIPPING OF WELL NOS. 4-61, 4-63, AND 4-64
(City of Lancaster), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Bakersfield Well and Pump Company., 7212 Fruitvaile Avenue, Bakersfield,
California 93308

Project Description:

Equipping of three previously drilled water wells with the necessary equipment to put them into production, conversion of two water wells into monitoring wells, abandonment of one water well, and other appurtenant work

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$6,444.80)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on July 26, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$611,655.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	8,340.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(6,444.80)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$613,550.20</u>